

# FUNDING ALERT



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# **Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)**

Free Service for Nonprofits. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

# **Federal Opportunities**

Access to Artistic Excellence. National Endowment for the Arts announces funds to encourage and support artistic creativity, preserving our diverse cultural heritage, and making the arts more widely available in communities throughout the country. Support is available to organizations for projects that do one or more of the following: provide opportunities for artists to create, refine, perform, and exhibit their work; present artistic works of all cultures and periods; preserve significant works of art and cultural traditions; enable arts organizations and artists to expand and diversify their audiences; provide opportunities for individuals to experience and participate in a wide range of art forms and activities; enhance the effectiveness of arts

organizations and artists; and employ the arts in strengthening communities. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is August 14, 2006. A match is required. For further information, contact Arts Endowment's Grants & Contracts Office at <a href="mailto:grants@arts.endow.gov">grants@arts.endow.gov</a>; or go to: <a href="http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/Artsed.html">http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/Artsed.html</a>.

GrantID: GD924

**Community Food Projects (CFP) Competitive** Grants Program. Department of Agriculture announces funds to support: (1) the development of CFPs with a one-time infusion of federal dollars to make such projects self-sustaining; (2) projects that provide training and technical assistance on a nationwide or regional basis to entities interested in developing new CFPs or assisting current grantees; and (3) planning projects to assess the food security needs and plan long-term solutions to help ensure food security in communities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is March 13, 2006. Letters of Intent must be received by close of business (COB) on February 13, 2006. Approximately \$4,600,000 is available to fund awards ranging from \$10,000-\$300,000. A match is required. For further information, go to: http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIE W&oppId=7597. GrantID: GD931

**Domestic Violence Transitional Housing Assistance Program.** *Department of Justice*announces funds to support programs which provide



assistance to individuals who are in need of transitional housing or housing assistance as a result of fleeing a situation of domestic violence, and for whom emergency shelter services or other crisis intervention services are unavailable or insufficient. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, state governments, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is February 16, 2006. Awards ranging from \$175,000-\$350,000 are available. For further information, contact the Office of Violence Against Women at (202) 307-6026; or go to:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIE W&oppId=7508. GrantID: GD921

### Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth.

National Endowment for the Arts announces funds to advance arts education in school-based or community-based settings and help children and youth acquire appreciation, knowledge, and understanding of and skills in the arts. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is June 12, 2006. Awards ranging from \$5,000-\$150,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact Learning in the Arts staff at (202) 682-5521; or go to:

http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/GAP07/Learningint heArts.html, GrantID: GD925

#### **Resource Conservation Challenge (RCC) Grants**

Program. Environmental Protection Agency announces funds to stimulate innovative ideas for waste reduction and recycling with the goal of fostering positive change. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, private institutions of higher education, and individuals. The deadline for applications is February 6, 2006. Approximately \$500,000 is available to fund 15 awards. For further information, contact Judy Taylor at (703) 308-7277 or judy.taylor@epa.gov; or go to: http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIE

The Challenge America: Reaching Every Community Fast-Track Review Grants. National Endowment for the Arts announces funds to support small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations, those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is June 1, 2006. Awards up to \$10,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact Arts Endowment's Grants & Contracts Office at grants@arts.endow.gov; or go to: http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/GAP07/ChallengeA merica.html. GrantID: GD92

# **District Opportunities**

2006 Ryan White Title II, Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA). Department of Health is seeking qualified organizations to provide health and support services to indigent, uninsured and under-insured residents of the District of Columbia who are HIV-infected and the provision of vocational employment training opportunities to recently released ex-offenders returning to the District of Columbia and living with AIDS. Eligible applicants include nonprofit, faith-based, community-based organizations, and others. The deadline for applications is February 13, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. The Request for Applications (RFA) will be available for pick up on January 13, 2006, at 64 New York Avenue, NE, Suite 5001, or 825 North Capital Street, NE, 3rd Floor Reception Area; or go to: http://www.opgd.dc.gov, select District Grants Clearinghouse. Approximately \$4,000,000 is available. A Pre-Application Conference will be held on January 20, 2006, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at the Department of Health, HIV/AIDS Administration, 64 New York Avenue, NE, Washington, DC, 20010, 1st Floor Conference Room. To RSVP, contact Trammell Walters, at (202) 671-4900, or trammell.walters@dc.gov. For further information, contact Lawrence Frison at (202) 671-4900; or go to: http://www.opgd.dc.gov. GrantID: GD919

W&oppId=7541. GrantID: GD920



**Vocational Employment Training.** The 2006 Ryan White Title II, Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) RFA listed above includes vocational employment training funds from HOPWA. See the full RFA for details.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

Commission on the Arts and Humanities (CAH), New Media and Audio Artist Program, January 20, 2006, at 6:00 p.m.

*Executive Office of the Mayor*, <u>District Voting Rights Education Outreach</u>, February 3, 2006, at 5:00 p.m.

State Education Agency, Adult and Family Literacy Services Grant, February 3, 2006, at 5:00 p.m.

DC Energy Office, <u>District of Columbia Renewable</u> Energy Demonstration Project (REDP), February 16, 2006.

Department of Human Service, <u>Unified</u>
Communications Center (UCC) Child Development
Center Operation, February 17, 2006, at 2:00 p.m.

*Office of the Secretary,* Escheated Estates Fund, March 31, June 30, September 29, and December 28, 2006.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

# **Foundation Opportunities**

AIDS Community Outreach. Cable Positive's Tony Cox Community Fund announces funds to encourage community-based AIDS organizations and cable outlets to partner in joint community outreach efforts, to produce and distribute new, locally focused HIV/AIDS-related programs and public service announcements (PSAs). Eligible applicants include nonprofit and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is March 10, 2006.

Approximately \$100,000 is available to fund awards up to \$5,000. For further information, contact Dana Levitt at (212) 459-1547 or <a href="mailto:dana@cablepositive.org">dana@cablepositive.org</a>; or go to: <a href="mailto:http://www.cablepositive.org/">http://www.cablepositive.org/</a>. GrantID: GD930

Democratic Media Programs. The Arca Foundation is dedicated to the pursuit of social equity and justice, through supporting efforts that can affect public policy. The Foundation believes with adequate information, an organized and informed citizenry will make the right choices. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2006. Awards up to \$50,000 are available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.arcafoundation.org/">http://www.arcafoundation.org/</a>. GrantID: GD926

**Domestic Grantmaking Program**. *Mattel and the Mattel Children's Foundation* announce funds to support organizations benefiting children in need in the U.S. Two types of grants will be considered: program-specific grants, funding for launch of new programs or expansion of existing programs; and core operating support for administrative and operating costs allowing organizations to sustain their programs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is April 7, 2006. Awards ranging from \$5,000-\$25,000 are available. For further information, go to:

http://www.mattel.com/About\_Us/Philanthropy/.
GrantID: GD929

GoGirlGo! The Women's Sports Foundation and Gatorade announce funds design to inspire teams to help combat the alarming physical and psychological health hazards affecting America's youth and demonstrate leadership in their communities by inspiring girls to get involved in sports and physical activity. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, nonprofit, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is April 7, 2006. Approximately \$50,000 is available to fund 20 awards, up to \$2,500. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/cgi-bin/iowa/funding/featured.html?record=34">http://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/cgi-bin/iowa/funding/featured.html?record=34</a>. GrantID: GD928

Performing Arts: Ensemble Theatre
Collaborations Grant & Travel Subsidy Program.
Association of Performing Arts Presenters and the



Doris Duke Charitable Foundation announce funds to support projects that best illustrate how collaboration among ensemble theatres, arts presenters and host theatres can help expand the repertoire for theatre, diversify theatre audiences, and provide greater access to theatre works in communities across the U.S. Project grant and travel grant are available. Eligible applicants include nonprofit, community-based organizations, and others. The deadline for project grant applications is March 1, 2006. The deadline for travel grant applications is April 3, 2006. Approximately \$380,000 is available to fund 12 awards, ranging from \$20,000-\$40,000. For further information, go to:

http://www.artspresenters.org/services/ensembletheatre.cfm. GrantID: GD927

**REMINDER. HOPE II**. Maryland Crime Victims' Resource Center, Inc. announces funds to establish subgrantee sites in urban, high crime areas across the U.S. Subawards will be used to: (1) increase the number of crime victims served in the target community; (2) increase training opportunities for service providers assisting victims of crime; and/or (3) increase the ability of agencies providing services to crime victims to collaborate and form networks with victim service agencies. Eligible applicants include faith-based and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is January 31, 2006. Approximately 48 awards of up to \$50,000 are available. For further information, contact Natalie Sarfin at (301) 952-0063 or natalie@mdcrimevictims.org; or go to: http://www.mdcrimevictims.org/. GrantID: GD871

## **Resources & Announcements**

2006 John W. Gardner Leadership Award and the Leadership IS Award. Independent Sector honors outstanding organizations for their leadership in investing in people of the independent sector as they work to build community. The award supports this important principle by acknowledging an organization that incorporates the development of future leaders in its policies and daily operations, and aims to recognize organizations that place an emphasis on internal leadership and staff, board, and volunteer development. To be eligible, an organization must be a nonprofit but need not be an Independent Sector member. The deadline for

nominations is March 17, 2006. For further information, go to: http://www.independentsector.org/.

#### **Previous Announcements**

**2006-2007 AmeriCorps State Funding Grant Reviewers**. *Serve DC* is seeking individuals to review grant proposals for AmeriCorps State funds. This is an excellent opportunity to network with colleagues in the national service world, learn more about the grant-making process, develop your own grant-writing skills, learn about exciting things happening in national service programs, and contribute your knowledge and experience to our efforts to select high-quality programs for funding. For further information and to apply, forward your resume to: John Savage, AmeriCorps Program Officer, Serve DC, 441 4th Street, Suite 1040S, Washington, DC 20001or servedc1@dc.gov or call (202) 727-7925.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hispanic Heritage Poster Contest.

VEGA Hispanic Yellow Pages, DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities and the Mayor's Office on Latino Affairs invite artists throughout the metropolitan area to submit one piece of flat art that illustrates how Hispanic heritage thrives in your local community. The winning poster will received the grand prize of \$3000, be featured on the front cover of the VEGA Hispanic Yellow Pages, and may be used for other promotional items such as billboards, t-shirts, programs, etc. The deadline is January 31, 2006. For further information, contact Jose Dominguez at jose.dominguez@dc.gov; or go to http://www.dcarts.dc.gov/dcarts/site/default.asp.

Clearinghouse for Nonprofits. *Idealist.org* is a portal for anyone interested in nonprofit organizations' issues, careers, and volunteering services. The website provides services to the global community in an effort to connect people, resources and nonprofits around the world. For more information and to register, go to: <a href="http://idealist.org/">http://idealist.org/</a>.

Coming Up Taller Awards. The President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities, recognizes and rewards outstanding arts and humanities programs that engage children by giving



them safe environments in which to learn and develop their skills and aspirations. Programs should reach children during the most vulnerable time of their days: after school, on weekends and during summers. Approximately 10 awards up to \$10,000 are available. The deadline for applications is January 30, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.cominguptaller.org/new.html">http://www.cominguptaller.org/new.html</a>.

Comments Requested-District's 2006 Application for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice

Assistance (JAG) Grant. The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice requests comments on the District's 2006 Application for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant. The JAG Program will allow the District Government to support a range of activities to prevent and control crime based on local needs and conditions. JAG blends the previous Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Programs to provide agencies with the flexibility to prioritize and place justice funds where they are needed most. Copies of the FY06 JAG Application's projected use of funds are available Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., at the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Justice Grants Administration, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004, Suite 327. The deadline for written comments is January 25, 2006, by close of business. Comments should be addressed to John Hallums, Director, and Attention: Phyllis McKinney, JGA, at the address listed above. For further information, contact Phyllis McKinney at (202) 727-1700; or go to:

http://jga.oca.dc.gov/jga/site/default.asp.

Giant Step Award to Recognize Achievements of School and Public Libraries. Thomson Gale and School Library Journal recognize outstanding school and public libraries that have made significant improvement or created new initiatives in programs and services that greatly impact student learning and development, or that enrich services in both the school and the community. The deadline for applications is February 15, 2006. For further information, go to:

http://www.galeschools.com/grant\_goldmine/giant\_a
ward/about\_giant.htm.

National School and Business Partnerships Award. The Council for Corporate and School Partnerships supports and recognizes the efforts of schools and businesses that partner to improve the academic, social or physical well-being of students. Eligible applicants include partnerships involving K-12th grade public schools and/or school districts and businesses. Awards up to \$10,000 are available. The deadline for applications is January 30, 2006. For further information, go to:

http://www.corpschoolpartners.org/.

#### **Taking Control of Your Annual Fund**

Whitepaper. *Blackbaud* has published a free report to assist organizations with building donor loyalty. An annual fund can be the cornerstone of a successful fundraising program. If developed correctly, annual fund solicitations can improve an organization's annual fundraising results and help to identify those who are most likely to become your best planned gift and major gift prospects. To download a free copy of this report, go to:

http://fconline.fdncenter.org/pnd/5002103/blackbaud/bb.

**Technology Program.** *NP Online Action* is accepting applications to improve websites, online donations, software technology, and build networks within U.S.-based nonprofit organizations. For further information, go to:

http://www.charityadvantage.com/.

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